Serial No. 09/978.602 O 1 Phorney Ref No. 41482-25424





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited in the United States Postal Service on this March 14, 2003 as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number <u>EL942732479US</u> addressed to: BOX NON FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Kenneth Solomon Reg. No. 31.427

In re application of: Vandersall et al.

Serial No.: 09/978.602

Filed: October 16, 2001

FIRE RETARDANT COMPOSITIONS For:

WITH REDUCED ALUMINUM

CORROSIVITY

BOX AMENDMENT - NO FEE Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Examiner Cephia Toomer

Group Art Unit 1714

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE A

In response to the Office Action of Paper No. 5 dated December 17, 2002 in connection with the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

2072892